

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

EDWARD BRACEY,

CIVIL ACTION (HABEAS CORPUS)

Petitioner,

Clerk

No. 02-CV-3685

v.

Hon. Berle R. Schiller Dep. Clork

JEFFREY BEARD, et al.,

This is a capital case

Respondents,

MOTION FOR 20 DAY EXTENSION TO FILE PETITIONER'S MEMORANDUM

Petitioner, Edward Bracey, through his counsel and with the consent of counsel for the Respondents (Thomas Dolgenos, Esquire, Chief, Federal Litigation, Philadelphia District Attorney's Office), respectfully moves for a 20 day extension to file his memorandum of law herein. In support, Petitioner submits:

- This is a habeas corpus action in a capital case. The Court has allowed Petitioner 1. until March 17, 2003 to file his memorandum of law.
- Petitioner respectfully requests that the Court allow this 20 day extension of this 2. schedule. Petitioner did not want to make this extension request, but has to do so under the circumstances described immediately below.

- 3. Respondents have no objection to the granting of this request. Counsel for Respondents, Thomas Dolgenos, Esquire, of the Philadelphia District Attorney's Office authorized Petitioner to make this representation on Respondent's behalf.
- 4. The grounds for this request are that the attorney assigned to complete the necessary research and original draft of the memorandum, Ellen Berkowitz, Esquire, is no longer employed by the Defender Association. She left abruptly several days ago and much of the necessary research has not been completed. This work must now be otherwise completed. Petitioner requests this extension, due to the unforseen circumstances outlined above.
 - 5. The granting of this shall cause no prejudice to Respondent

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully requests that the Court allow this unopposed 20 day extension.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: March 17, 2003

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Billy H. Nolas, hereby certify that on this date, I caused the foregoing *Motion for 20* Day Extension To File Petitioner's Memorandum to be served on the following person by first class mail:

Thomas Dolgenos, Esq.
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MANAGEL E. KUNZ, Clerk

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James Moreno

Dated: March 17, 2003